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RE: Complaint of Ben Lomand Communications, Inc. Against
Citizens Telecommunications Company of Tennessee, Inc.
d/b/a Frontier Communications of Tennessee, Docket No. 02-01221

Gentlemen:

As you know, I have been appointed as Hearing Officer in the above-referenced TRA docket. Consistent with the spirit and policy of Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-5-302, please accept this letter as notice and disclosure of an existing family relationship between myself and an employee of the parent corporation to one of the parties to this case.

I have a close and personal relationship with an aunt (by marriage) who works for Ben Lomand Telephone Co-Op, Inc., the parent company of Ben Lomand Communications, Inc. Please review Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-5-302 with your clients in light of this disclosure.

Please file any objection to my service as Hearing Officer in this matter as soon as possible. If no objection has been filed within five (5) days of the date of this letter, I will proceed to rule on the outstanding motions in this docket.

Very truly yours,

Randal Gilliam

c: Chairman Sara Kyle
Director Pat Miller
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